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PATENT
EXPRESS MAIL: EJ074819322US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lemaire III, et al.

S/N: 09/016,090

Filed: 1/30/98

For: Surgical Instrument with Offset Jaw Actuator

Group Art Unit: 3731

Examiner: Ngo, L.

Docket: Mmed01

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box Fee Amendment
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

1) This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of **one month(s)** to **3/25/99**.

2) A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

XX is filed herewith.

 has been filed.

3) Applicant is

XX a small entity - verified statement

 attached.

XX already filed.

4) Calculation of extension fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)):

Total months requested	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<u>XX</u> one month	\$110.00	<u>\$55.00</u>
<u> </u> two months	\$390.00	\$195.00
<u> </u> three months	\$930.00	\$465.00
<u> </u> four months	\$1,470.000	\$735.00

IF AN ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME IS REQUIRED PLEASE CONSIDER THIS A PETITION THEREFOR.

____ An extension for ____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ ____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request _____

5) Extended period for response

Based on the extension requested in this petition (and that for which a previous petition has been filed, if any) the extended period for response will expire on 3/25/99.

6) Fee payment

XX attached is a check No. 407 in the amount of \$ 55.00.

____ charge account _____ for any additional extension
and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

____ Charge fee to Account No. _____ and this is a request to charge for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid. A triplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully Submitted,



Attorney for Applicant(s)

Date: 3/25/99

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